

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows.

1. (Previously presented) A method for reducing a number of non-inflammatory acne lesions comprising the step of topically applying a dermatological composition to the non-inflammatory acne lesions, wherein said dermatological composition comprises an active agent, and the active agent consists essentially of Dapsone.
- 2-3. (Cancelled).
4. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein said dermatological composition comprises dissolved dapsone and microparticulate dapsone.
- 5-6. (Cancelled).
7. (Original) The method of claim 4 wherein said dermatological composition is a semisolid aqueous gel.
8. (Original) The method of claim 4 wherein said dermatological composition is a cream.
9. (Original) The method of claim 4 wherein said dermatological composition is a lotion.
10. (Original) The method of claim 4 wherein said dermatological composition is a suspension.
11. (Original) The method of claim 4 wherein said dermatological composition is an ointment.

12. (Original) The method of claim 4 wherein said dermatological composition is a spray.
13. (Original) The method of claim 4 wherein said dermatological composition further comprises an additive selected from the group consisting of a preservative, an antioxidant, a fragrance, a colorant, and a sunscreen.
14. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein said dermatological composition is a semisolid aqueous gel.
15. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein said dermatological composition is a cream.
16. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein said dermatological composition is a lotion.
17. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein said dermatological composition is a solution.
18. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein said dermatological composition is an ointment.
19. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein said dermatological composition is a spray.
20. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein said dermatological composition further comprises an additive selected from the group consisting of a preservative, an antioxidant, a fragrance, a colorant, and a sunscreen.
21. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein said dermatological composition comprises 3% dapsone.
22. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein said dermatological composition comprises 5% dapsone.

23-24. (Cancelled).

25. (Previously presented) A method for treating non-inflammatory acne comprising topically applying a dermatological composition to the non-inflammatory acne, wherein said dermatological composition comprises an active agent and the active agent consists essentially of dapsone.

26. (Cancelled).

27. (Previously Presented) A method for treating non-inflammatory acne comprising topically applying a dermatological composition to the non-inflammatory acne, wherein said dermatological composition comprises dapsone, wherein said dapsone is applied no more than once a day.

28. (Previously Presented) A method for treating non-inflammatory acne comprising topically applying a dermatological composition to the non-inflammatory acne, wherein said dermatological composition comprises dapsone, wherein the non-inflammatory acne is reduced at least 45%.

29. (Previously Presented) A method for treating non-inflammatory acne comprising topically applying a dermatological composition to the non-inflammatory acne, wherein said dermatological composition comprises dapsone, wherein the efficacy for treating non-inflammatory acne is inverse to the efficacy for treating inflammatory acne.

30. (New) A method for reducing a number of non-inflammatory acne lesions comprising (a) identifying non-inflammatory acne lesions; and (b) topically applying a dermatological composition to the non-inflammatory acne lesions, wherein said dermatological composition comprises an active agent, and the active agent consists essentially of dapsone.

31. (New) A method for treating non-inflammatory acne comprising (a) identifying non-inflammatory acne; and (b) topically applying a dermatological composition to the non-inflammatory acne, wherein said dermatological composition comprises an active agent and the active agent consists essentially of dapsone.